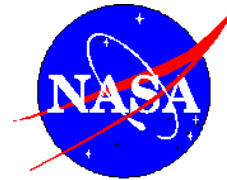


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NASA Visitor Center May Special Events

May 1: "Model Rocket Launch"

A model rocket launch will be held at 1 p.m. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

May 15: "Scavenger Hunt"

A Scavenger Hunt will be held at 1 p.m. for children ages 5 to 10 years. The 40-minute activity will introduce the children to NASA, specifically Wallops Flight Facility and its mission. Children who complete the hunt will receive a NASA lithograph and a coloring book. Parental participation is requested.

Saturdays and Sundays: "Puppets in Space"

"Puppets in Space", a 10-minute puppet show, will be presented at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight, including the space suit. An eight-minute version of the film "Astrosmites" follows the puppet show.

Daily: "Space Ace"

Children ages 5-10 years can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph during their Visitor Center experience by completing an activity sheet.

Sundays: "Humans in Space"

"Humans in Space" is the subject of a 1 p.m. program for children of all ages. The 30-minute program looks at living and working in space, including a review of the astronauts' culinary delights and their wardrobe. The program is followed by a hands-on children's activity during which children have the opportunity to create their own "space helmet."

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. The Visitor Center will be open Memorial Day, May 31. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, VA. Admission to Visitor Center programs is free. For further information, please call (757) 824-2298.

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